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Spokesman Discuss Contracts

Notice has been given by Retail Clerks' Local 905 to reopen the mercantile contract which will expire February 3, 1954 and the variety store contract which will expire January 31, 1954. A meeting of employers involved will be held in the office of the Harbor Area Employers' Council, 1731 Border Ave., on Tuesday, December 29, 1953, at 2 p.m. There will be a meeting with representatives of the Union in this office at 3:30 p.m. following the above meeting.

CORRECTION

THE PRESS
INADVERTENTLY LISTED THE MOVIE

"LILLI"

AS APPEARING AT THE
HARBOR DRIVE-IN THEATRE
for DEC. 20, 21, 22

The correct film appearing on the above date is

"BELOW THE SAHARA"

Which is accompanying

"SNOW WHITE"

We sincerely regret any inconvenience which we may have caused

Bad-Check Artists Arrested

Raymond P. De Silva, 25, of San Pedro and Bill Ray Kading, 21, admitted passing checks in Torrance which were stolen from the Sewell Boat company and Pacific Mill and Lumber company, according to Detective Sergeant Percy Bennett.

The two, who were arrested in San Pedro, have had three counts of bad check passing filed against them.

WISE MEN argue causes; fools desire them.—Anacharsis.

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TREACHEROUS!... This sump would have claimed the lives of five kids in one week if it had not been for Freeman Smith of 21143 Bolsa who happened by in time to pull them out of this quick-sand-like pit. Located about two blocks east of Main st. and two blocks north of 213th st. on Bolsa, the unfenced 213th Street sump is filled with oil and acid to a depth of two feet. Smith states that the acid is so strong that it eats away shoe leather. The sump is located in Los Angeles County territory.

Robbers Trapped

Three men and a woman who were recently involved in the gun-battle hold-up of a North Torrance gas station were caught by chance when involved in a car accident on the Pacheco Pass Highway.

California Highway Patrol officers and Venice police arrested Jack Williams, 24; Charles Baxter Gay, 59, a parolee from Folsom prison with a record of burglary and armed robbery dating back to 1932;

Vern Schaeffer, 58, paroled from Folsom prison last April after being sentenced to life as a habitual criminal; and Evelyn Gay, 35, sister-in-law of Charles Gay.

The four were arrested when their car skidded off the road and overturned while on their way to San Pedro.

They were recently involved in the hold-up of Camino Oil company station at Redondo Beach boulevard and Crenshaw. Jack Hughes, 33-year-old gas station attendant, shot it out with the gang preventing them from going through with the robbery. No one was injured at the time.

Advertise Bids For Post Office

A proposal for the least of post office quarters to be located in North Torrance is being solicited now. It was announced this week. Bids will be received in the office of Post Office Inspector D. A. Pressly from December 16, 1953 to January 16, 1954, at Room 701 Federal Building, Temple and Spring streets, Los Angeles 53. Quarters to be considered should be in the vicinity of 174th st. and Crenshaw a floor space of approximately 2500 square feet.

The North Torrance station will be a subsidiary of the main station located in Torrance. After bids are closed, it will take about three months before such a station will be approved.

The North Torrance station will be a medium-sized station but will offer all the services that the main on offers. It will have foot and mounted carriers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nongson, of 5411 Reese Road, announce the birth of a son whom they have named Michael Bruce. The new infant was born on Dec. 11, at Torrance Memorial Hospital, and weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces. He has 1 brother, whose name and age are David Eugene, 1 year. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shackelford, of 5411 Reese Rd., Torrance. The infant's father is stationed at Phoenix, Arizona with the Air Force.



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Gas Company Applies For Rate Boost

A 4.6 percent increase in gas rates is being sought by Southern California Gas Co. in an application filed today with the California Public Utilities Commission.

Gas company officials estimate that the proposed rate boost would add about 27 cents a month to the average bill of a typical residential customer, yielding approximately \$6 million in additional annual gross revenues for the company, if granted. Of this total, more than one half will be absorbed by increased income taxes.

Continuing inflationary conditions, coupled with the need to go out of state for additional gas to supply the ever-growing population in Southern California is given as the reason for the request. F. M. Banks, president of the company stated:

"The two rate increases we have had since 1949, which actually have brought our present rates up only to levels substantially the same as those in effect in the mid-1930's, have given us only temporary relief. In its last decision, granting the company rates intended to produce a return of approximately 5.85 per cent on its net investment, the Public Utilities Commission recognized the fact that there would be so-called 'slippage' in earnings due to adding new customers at higher costs, and made sufficient allowance for this factor to carry

She has one sister and one brother whose names and ages are Susan T. and David, 15 months. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Klaseges, Minneapolis. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stepp, 20610 Oak, of Torrance. The infant's father is employed at North American Aviation.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond K. Lyon of 2481 Lomita Blvd. announce the birth of a daughter, whom they have named Lovetta Lyon. The new infant was born on Dec. 3, 1953 at Torrance Memorial Hospital and weighed 7 pounds. This is the Lyon's first child. The infant's father is employed at American Standard. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klaseges of 2713 Monterey, announce the birth of a daughter, Jean Marie. The new infant was born on Dec. 5 at Torrance Memorial Hospital, and weighed 10 pounds and 4 ounces.

the company through this year. This provision has now been used up.

Cost Increases
"Before World War II the gas company spent about \$125 for each new customer added. Presently it is costing over \$450 a customer, which includes in part many millions of dollars invested in pipelines and compressor plants to bring additional gas from Texas.

"It is obviously impossible to bring gas for new customers all the way from Texas and to install new mains and meters at today's high prices and still charge the old rates based on facilities built at prewar prices and on gas produced locally in California."

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